
Decisions taken at the meeting held on Tuesday, 17 January 2023.

Meeting Time:

7.00 pm

Meeting Venue:

Council Chamber, Council Offices, Knowle Green, Staines-upon-Thames TW18 1XB

PRESENT: Councillor Maureen Attewell (Chairman), Councillor Olivia Rybinski (Vice-Chairman), Councillor Clare Barratt, Councillor Richard Barratt, Councillor Chris Bateson, Councillor Jon Button, Councillor Sandra Dunn, Councillor Helen Harvey, Councillor Robin Sider BEM, Councillor Jenny Vinson and Councillor Stuart Whitmore

1. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 20 September 2022 were agreed as a correct record subject to agreed amendments.

5. REVIEW OF SPELTHORNE WINTER WARMER PROJECT

The Committee **resolved** to note the verbal update from the Strategic Lead Independent Living on the Spelthorne Winter Warmer Project.

6. HOUSEHOLD SUPPORT FUND PHASE 3*

The Committee **resolved** to:

1. Expedite the distribution of Household Support Fund Phase 3.
2. Have the scheme open to individual applications for people who are not just in receipt of council tax support but receive an income based DWP benefit.
3. Agree that in the event of any funds being unallocated that they are moved to the "General Allocation Pot" at the end of March 2023.
4. Agree that this becomes, subject to any new national criteria, the ongoing approach for the HSF when it extends to phases 4 and beyond from April 2023.
5. Accept that the amounts used here, with the exception of the total HSF Phase 3 award are based on best estimates of number of applicants in phases 1 and 2.

7. URGENT ITEM- COST OF LIVING CRISIS

The Committee **resolved** to agree distribution of grant support to households in need.

8. ANNUAL COMMUNITY GRANTS REPORT*

The Committee **resolved** to:

1. agree the grants awards for 2023/24, subject to final determination of the annual

budget by Council

2. note all other support Spelthorne Borough Council provides to the voluntary/charity sector.
3. consider the proposal that unallocated Councillors' Better Neighbourhood Grant monies for 2023/24 are transferred to the Grants budget for allocation.

9. 23/24 BUDGET

The Committee **resolved** to recommend the draft 23/24 budget to the Corporate Policy and Resources Committee.

11. LEISURE CENTRE UPDATE

The Committee **resolved** to note the verbal update from the Strategic Lead of Leisure and Community Development on the Leisure Centre project.

12. FORWARD PLAN

The Committee **resolved** to note the forward plan with the additional items agreed at the meeting.

NOTES:-

- (1) *Members are reminded that the "call-in" procedure as set out in Part 4b of the Constitution, shall not apply to the following matters:*
 - (a) *Urgent decisions as defined in Paragraph 9. of the Call-in Scrutiny Procedure Rules;*
 - (b) *Decisions to award a contract following a lawful procurement process;*
 - (c) *Those decisions:*
 - i. *reserved to full Council*
 - ii. *on regulatory matters*
 - iii. *on member conduct issues.*
- (2) *Those matters to which Note (1) applies, if any, are identified with an asterisk [*] in the above Minutes.*
- (3) *Within three working days of the date on which this decision is published, not less than three members from two or more political groups by submission of the standard call-in pro-forma, may ask for that decision to be referred to a meeting of the Administrative Committee for review (call-in). The completed pro-forma must be received by the Proper Officer by 5pm three working days after publication of the decision.*
- (4) *The members exercising the right of call-in must not be members of the Committee which considered the matter.*
- (5) *When calling in a decision for review the members doing so must demonstrate the following exceptional circumstances:*
 - a. *Evidence which suggests that the decision maker, did not take the decision in accordance with the principles set out in Article 11 (Decision Making); or*
 - b. *Evidence that the decision fails to support one or more of the Council's Corporate Plan priorities to the detriment of the majority of the Borough's residents; or*
 - c. *Evidence that explicit Council Policy or legal requirements were disregarded.*

- (6) *Once the request for 'call-in' has been deemed valid by the Monitoring Officer the matter will be suspended until the call-in procedure has been exhausted.*
- (7) *The Chief Executive, in consultation with the relevant officer, will determine if the interests of the Council or Borough would be prejudiced by a delay in implementing a decision such that the call-in cannot wait until the next ordinary meeting of the Administrative Committee.*
- (8) *Where the call-in cannot wait until the next ordinary meeting, the Monitoring Officer will arrange an extraordinary meeting of the Administrative Committee to review the decision subject to call-in at the earliest possible opportunity.*
- (9) *In exceptional cases, where there is clear evidence that a delay to the implementation of a decision would lead to a specific and significant financial or reputational harm to the Council, a call-in request may be refused by the Chief Executive following consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of Administrative Committee.*
- (10) *In reviewing a matter referred to it under the call-in scrutiny procedure rules, the Administrative Committee shall follow the procedure for dealing with call-in scrutiny at its meetings as set out in Part 4b of the Constitution.*
- (11) *The deadline of three working days for "call in" in relation to the above decisions by the Committee is the close of business on**23 January 2023***